

# Honolulu Star-Bulletin

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## ACCIDENTAL OR INTENTIONAL?

Was the explosion at Communipaw, New Jersey, accidental or intentional? Was it a mere disaster of chance, or the result of a carefully-laid plot?

It would be inconceivable that an appalling crime such as this could be contemplated, let alone committed, except that in the few years other tremendous explosions have been traced to human hands and human brains. The munitions plots unearthed by the United States secret service since the present war began, and the recent bomb-explosion during the San Francisco preparedness parade proved that there are not lacking fanatics willing to jeopardize and if needs be to sacrifice the lives of totally innocent fellow-men to carry out some scheme of revenge or destruction their desperate brains have conjured up.

Until more is known of the Communipaw disaster than has so far been learned, it would be wrong to impute this explosion, with its staggering destruction, to human machinations. But the mishaps in munitions and storage plants in various parts of the country have been so persistent in the past year and a half that the United States government as well as police authority is warranted in putting its sleuths at work.

## WAR'S "MERCIES"

The Berlin statement that 90.2 per cent of all wounded soldiers have been able to return to the fighting front is a remarkable testimonial to the advance of sanitary and medical measures in war-time. It has not been many generations since commanders thought themselves lucky if they did not lose fifty or sixty per cent of wounded by death or permanent incapacitation. Germany's science and system have reduced this number to less than ten per cent. It is probably that were the Allies to give out similar figures, results almost if not quite as remarkable would be shown. American Ambulance Corps men have paid high tribute to the work of the French war-hospitals and various health-resorts to which convalescents are taken.

While humanitarians must rejoice in the mercies which modern science and methods have brought to suffering soldiers, there is something oppressive to the spirit in the thought that after running the gauntlet of death and being stricken by shell or bayonet, the soldier is patched up and sent back to the maelstrom again. The figure of 90.2 per cent does not mean that of all the German soldiers wounded at the front less than 10 per cent only are ultimately left unfit for active service.

## THE STATUE OF LIBERTY MENACED.

Despatches from New York indicate that the gigantic Statue of Liberty in New York harbor was severely shaken and its safety menaced by the Communipaw explosion. This statue is of international fame. It is the work of the distinguished French sculptor, Frederic Auguste Bartholdi, whose ideas and ideals of liberty were moulded during the Franco-German war, in which he fought with distinction, and the days of the Commune, when he was forced to leave Paris.

Coming to America, he was inspired by the vision of a New World dedicated to civil and religious liberty, and then conceived the idea of the colossal goddess as "Liberty Enlightening the World." After returning to France he interested a number of Frenchmen and gave 20 years of devoted work not only to the statue itself but to the not less enormous labor of financing it. He superintended the raising of \$400,000 from the French nation, largely in very small amounts given by the poor. When subscriptions lagged he pledged his own private fortune and practically impoverished himself. In 1883 when the big figure was almost ready to ship from Paris, there was not nearly enough money to complete it. Then the New York World took hold and by effective publicity raised the needed money in four months. The inauguration ceremonies took place in October, 1886. Recently, it is interesting to note, the World began the task of raising a \$30,000 fund to light the statue.

The great bronze figure is 151 feet 5 inches high as erected with pedestal, 301 feet 3 inches. It is 40 feet square at the base. It weighs 450,000 pounds. The total cost is estimated at \$600,000. The light in the torch at the top is maintained by the U. S. lighthouse service.

The United States owes a debt of gratitude to Lafayette whose military valor and sympathy for the struggling colonies made him a monument in the hearts of Americans. A valorous and a sympathizing friend also was Frederic Auguste Bartholdi, who wrought in bronze and in his unselfish task of raising a huge fund, the ideals of liberty America exemplified to him.

## CRIMINAL ADMINISTRATION.

From the Chicago Tribune.

In the sensational Orpet trial which has just closed we have exhibited in a striking degree some of the major defects of our administration of criminal justice.

One of these is suggested in the term prosecution. The process which begins when a crime is charged is not investigation. As soon as possible it ceases to be an investigation and becomes a prosecution, and in many cases this term is synonymous with persecution. In the case referred to the prosecuting officials early developed a fixed theory of guilt, and to establish that theory, rather than to establish the truth, apparently

became, as it frequently if not usually becomes, the real end pursued. It is said a policeman is always convinced of the guilt of a prisoner or a suspect. But the same professional bias exists among prosecuting officers in many cases.

Now, the interest of the state is quite as much in the establishment of innocence as in the establishment of guilt, and the industry and zeal of the agents it employs to serve its interests, not their ambitions, should be directed to thorough, scientific, yet free and unbiased investigation and to the fair presentation of evidence. Criminal trials should not be mere duels between lawyers.

Unfortunately, under our elective system, more than under any foreign system, there is a special temptation to earn the laurels of a dramatic and successful pursuit of the evildoer. A prosecutor who merely establishes a suicide performs a comparatively uninteresting function; whereas if he can run down a murder he presents himself as the hero of a drama which appeals to us all.

Our system of criminal inquiry, and that is what our criminal cases should be from beginning to end, is both inefficient and unjust. We need a system which will encourage the scientific professional and discourage the politician and romantic actor. Our present political system does not favor this.

We need also a judicial system which will increase the power and the disposition of the judge to prevent the bullying of witnesses and the foolish ramifications of exploring interrogation, and enable him to keep the course of a trial within the bounds of relevance and good sense. This is achieved in other countries where criminals are more often caught and punished than in our own.

## NAVAL NEEDS IN THE PACIFIC.

Influential congressmen are beginning to realize that the Pacific needs a navy quite as much as the Atlantic. During a recent senate debate on the "bigger navy" bill, Senator Lodge of Massachusetts said:

"If the essential features of this program are carried out, it will do more for our peace than all the diplomatic notes ever written. If there be any nation, east or west, that cherishes any feeling toward us that nation will take notice of this program, and it will have a more soothing effect and do more to promote peace than a lavish use of the English language. The problem is to create a navy sufficiently strong to protect both the Atlantic and Pacific coasts. We cannot rely on the Panama Canal to transfer our navy from one ocean to the other. In its very nature the canal is vulnerable. No matter how well it is fortified, one man so inclined, one spy, could by placing a bomb in the right place, clog the canal for weeks or months. We must have a fleet for each ocean."

The Panama Canal is a great peace asset but it may very easily be a war liability. While the nation's statesmen are putting dreadnoughts and battle-cruisers on the Atlantic, buying the Danish West Indies and otherwise building up a defense for the eastern shores, the needs of the Pacific must not be forgotten.

The New York World, chief newspaper supporter of the Wilson administration, could find no words strong enough to denounce and show its scorn for the Progressives when Roosevelt was leading them. It could find no adjective eloquent enough to describe the Progressives' weakness. Now that the Progressives are leaderless and the Wilson campaign managers want their votes, the World finds that the Bull Moosers are strong in numbers and too independent of spirit to return to the regular G. O. P. fold.

Good for the cruiser St. Louis! The day after the cruiser arrived, its ball-team went out and tackled a local nine and played mighty good ball, too. The best part of it is that the St. Louis men are getting right into activities here. The St. Louis is now our home cruiser and the St. Louis ball team a home team. Which makes two of the same name, by the way.

After putting the munitions campaign on a going basis and cleaning up the Irish situation, David Lloyd George is now scheduled for Kitchen's post as minister of war. It is said no man is indispensable, but what would Britain do without a Lloyd George to meet emergencies?—New York World.

The fifth Civic Convention, at Hilo September 21-25, is getting some good advertising. By almost every mail there comes from the Crescent City some small but effective reminder of the convention dates. The post-card "follow-up" is being worked well.

One good thing about this Mexican situation is that both Republicans and Democrats can get live campaign issues out of it.

Up to date Col. Roosevelt has met and become reconciled to all the "criminals of 1912" except William Howard Taft.

And don't forget James Woods' advice—transportation plus hotels plus good roads means millions in tourist traffic.

Judging by the absence of shark reports from the east coast, either biting or bathing has ceased.

There's a good deal more than one syllable difference between chuck-hole and chuckle-hole.

It is rumored that Carranza may resign. It was also rumored that Villa was dead.

It's a long way back to Lemberg but the Russians are covering it.

## Personal Mention

JUDGE HENRY E. COOPER was a returning passenger on the Sonoma this morning.

REV. H. H. PARKER, pastor of Kawaiahae church, is spending his vacation at his country home at Kaneohe, this island.

REV. W. D. WESTERVELT, who is spending the summer with Mrs. Westervelt near the volcano, is in Honolulu for a few days.

HERBERT R. JORDAN, stenographer in circuit court, expects to leave for the mainland on August 9 for a vacation of several weeks.

MRS. E. W. RAPHAE, and small daughter, Virginia, arrived home today. They have been making an extended stay in San Francisco.

D. YONEKURA, the president of the Pacific bank of this city, arrived from Yokohama this morning on the Persia Maru. He has been in Japan four months on business.

MR. AND MRS. M. F. PROSSER returned on the Sonoma today from a mainland trip. Mr. Prosser has been taking a vacation. He is an enthusiastic outdoor sportsman.

REV. GEORGE LAUGHTON, the popular pastor of the First Foreign church of Hilo, became an American citizen last Tuesday. He was naturalized in Circuit Judge Quinn's court.

TAX ASSESSOR C. T. WILDER will take 10 days' more vacation, says a letter received today from him by friends here. He will not return from the Volcano House on Hawaii until August 4.

J. H. FISCHER of the anti-tuberculosis bureau of the board of health, returned home today, following a slight operation performed at Queen's hospital. He expects to return to work Tuesday or Wednesday.

WILLIAM LARSEN, supervisor, spent most of the morning reviewing the needs of the water and sewer departments with Harry Murray, manager. He intends to bring the facts and figures to the attention of the finance committee, which is at work on the items for the proposed municipal bond issue.

FRED W. MAKINNEY, JR., son of F. W. Makinney, will leave for the mainland next Friday in the transport Sheridan on his way to Washington, D. C., to enter the Columbian preparatory school. Makinney will qualify for the entrance examinations next March to West Point, where he has been designated for appointment by Delegate Kubie.

ARTHUR F. WALL, of the jewelry firm of Wall & Dougherty, will return to Honolulu August 15. He is now in California, and intends seeing the annual "jinks" of the Bohemian Club of San Francisco, at its grove and clubhouse "Bohemian" north of San Francisco. Wall has been on a buying and vacation trip, and has done much promotion committee work while on the mainland, boosting for Hawaii. He has gone as far east as New York.

## LITTLE INTERVIEWS

ALEXANDER HUME FORD: The Outrigger's annual meeting certainly showed the members to be alive to the needs of the club. It was not a cut and dried affair. Everyone there had an opinion of his own.

CLINTON PEDRICK, manager of Ye Liberty theater: Many of our patrons have told us how much they liked the Lasky feature film, "Puddin'-head Wilson," we recently showed. The Marguerite Clark picture, "Out of the Drifts," we are now showing is making a big hit, too.

RALPH JOHNSTONE, deputy collector of internal revenue: The usual summer time rumors are now in active circulation. This is an unbeatable town for spreading wild-eyed yarns. Joe Fern's "death" was an example last week. Half a dozen persons had him killed off when he was really improving steadily.

BEN HOLLINGER, supervisor: The park department has had two men at work caring for the "first mile of parking." Mrs. Lowrey speaks of in her letter published in the Star-Bulletin Thursday, for about six months. They have kept it in first-class shape, I am glad to say. If the Outdoor Circle has had a man at work there the department does not know of it.

## VITAL STATISTICS

**BORN.**  
HASEGAWA—In Honolulu, July 23, 1916, to Mr. and Mrs. Kenji Hasegawa of S. King street, near Ala-pai, a daughter—Fumie.  
NALU—In Honolulu, July 26, 1916, to Mr. and Mrs. David Nalu, Sr., of Second Cook street, a son—David Nalu, Sr.  
KOE—In Honolulu, June 14, 1916, to Mr. and Mrs. Won Kee of 77 Pauahi street, a daughter.  
QUINTAL—In Honolulu, July 15, 1916, to Mr. and Mrs. John Quintal of Fifth avenue, Kaimuki, a daughter—Maggie.  
SOARES—In Honolulu, July 14, 1916, to Mr. and Mrs. Antonio M. Soares of Punaeha drive, a son—Gilbert THOMAS. At the Kapikapi Maturity home, to Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Thomas of 1125 Punchbowl street, a son.  
KAMAKA—In Honolulu, July 27, 1916, to Mr. and Mrs. Kalani Kamaka of 1235 Ala Kane, a daughter.  
OLIVEIRA—In Honolulu, July 27, 1916, to Mr. and Mrs. Antonio J. Oliveira of Lilihue lane, near School street, a son.  
MARTIN—In Honolulu, June 29, 1916, to Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Martin of Kunawai lane, a daughter—Ellen ANANA—In Honolulu, June 13, 1916, to Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Anana of Aala lane, a son—Isaac.  
BAL—In Wailuku, Maui, July 27, 1916, to Mr. and Mrs. William E. Bal, Jr., a son.  
SMITH—In Lahaina, Maui, July 23, 1916, to Mr. and Mrs. William Smith, two daughters.  
CHONG—In Honolulu, July 22, 1916, to Mr. and Mrs. Chong Kim Sing of 968D Alapai lane, a son.  
KUBA—In Honolulu, July 14, 1916, to Mr. and Mrs. Shinasku Kuba of Paua Valley, a daughter—Fujie.  
INOUE—In Honolulu, July 1916, to Mr. and Mrs. Saichi Inoue of 445 South Queen street, a son—Toshio.  
LEE—In Honolulu, July 2, 1916, to Mr. and Mrs. Lee Choy Tin of Banyan street, Palama, a daughter—Ah Sam.  
HO—In Honolulu, June 23, 1916, to Mr. and Mrs. Ho Lum Yet, of Banyan street, near King, Palama, a daughter.  
SMIDDY—On July 31, 1916, at Pacific Sanitarium, Kewalo street, to Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Smiddy of Nuuanu street, a son.

## MARRIED

CUMMINGS—KAIWI—In Honolulu, July 15, 1916, Parker A. Cummings and Mrs. Liban Louisa Kaiwi, Rev. J. Kekipi of the Hoomana Nanao church officiating; witnesses—Horse N. Crabbe and A. I. Bright.  
MAHIKOA-NAONE—In Honolulu, July 29, 1916, Robert K. Mahikoa and Miss Mabel Naone, Rev. Samuel K. Kamaio, assistant pastor of the Kaunakapili church, Palama, officiating; witnesses—Clement Wong and Rachael T. Kikano.

## DIED

GOMEZ—In Honolulu, July 27, 1916, at the Oahu Insane Asylum, Augustina Gomez, female, married, a native of Hilo, Hawaii, age 20 years. Body to be buried tomorrow in the Catholic cemetery, King street.  
KRUGER—In Honolulu, July 28, 1916, Kalanikihaka Kruger, female, married, a native of Maui, age 67 years. Body buried today in the Kawaiahae cemetery.  
MCCLANAHAN—In Honolulu, July 27, 1916, Yeverton Oliver, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. McClanahan of 1929 Kalakua avenue, Waikiki, a native of this city, 3 months and 3 days old.  
PALBAN—In Honolulu, July 27, 1916, Severino Palban of 1264 Austin lane, Palama, unmarried, office boy, a native of the Philippine Islands, 24 years, 5 months and 19 days old.  
WONG—In Honolulu, July 29, 1916, Albert, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wong Hong, Tai of River street, a native of this city, 7 years, 2 months and 4 days old.  
BIART—In Honolulu, July 28, 1916, Mrs. Kellimahial Biart of 422A Magellan street, Auwahi, widow, a native of Hawaii, 57 years old.  
CARVALHO—In the Queen's Hospital, Honolulu, July 28, 1916, Jose S. Carvalho of Makawao, Maui, married, farmer, a native of Maui, 33 years old.  
MAHI—In the Queen's Hospital, Honolulu, July 27, 1916, Mrs. Annie Mahi of 1505 Beretania street, a native of Kailua, Oahu, 42 years old.  
KAALAKEA—In Kipahulu, Maui, July 21, 1916, Joseph, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Kaalakea, a native of Maui, 6 years old.

## MARRIAGE LICENSES

Willara B. Brown, American, 37  
Alice A. Oliver, American, 33  
Theodore Awana, Part-Hawaiian, 21  
Jennie Kamanouli, Part-Hawaiian, 21  
Lau Mon Seong, Chinese, 28  
Mary Ho Leong, Chinese, 26  
Robert K. Mahikoa, Part-Hawaiian, 25  
Mabel Naone, Part-Hawaiian, 23

## Teuton Victories During War Told

German Official Statement Declares Central Powers Lead Enemy in Fruits of Conquest

Teuton victories and achievements during the war are emphasized in an official statement issued in Berlin at the end of last week, reaching here in the German official cablegrams. The statement says:

"The German government herewith publishes figures of conquests to the end of the second year of the war."

"The Central Powers have occupied 220,000 square kilometers against 180,000 a year ago. The enemy occupied in Europe 220,000 square kilometers against 11,000 of last year."

"The Central Powers, Bulgaria and Turkey have captured 2,658,000 enemy soldiers against 1,695,000. Out of these, prisoners by the Germans are 5947 French officers and 248,000 men, 9019 Russian officers and 1,202,000 men, 947 British officers and 34,000 men."

"The war booty brought to Germany, besides that utilized immediately on the front, are 11,036 cannon, 4,743,000 shells, 3450 machine guns, 1,556,000 rifles."

"According to the lists of statistics of German wounded soldiers, 99.2 per cent returned to front, 1.4 per cent died and the rest are unfit for service or were released."

"Our military measures, in consequence of vaccinations, were never disturbed by epidemics."

## BUILDING PERMITS

A. W. T. Bottomley, owner. Location, Kahala, Oahu. Residence, garage and bath house. L. H. Bigelow, architect. K. Kobayashi, builder. Estimated cost, \$2328.

GOVERNOR L. E. PINKHAM: The magnificent liberality of the Rapid Transit in promising, after five years' neglect, to extend its line 1100 feet to Ft. Shafter compares favorably with a multi-millionaire putting a regretful penny in the contribution box.

Edward Doyle, 12 years old, of Scranton, Pa., was rescued from a box car at Buffalo, after being imprisoned there for three days, without food or water.

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